

Zion-Benton Public Library District  
Lake County, Illinois

ORDINANCE 25/26-O-5

AN ORDINANCE ABATING TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2025,  
AND ENDING JUNE 20, 2026

Ordinance for eligibility for DCEO's Energy Transition Community Grant (ETCG)

Ordinance abating taxes from the Corporate Fund

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Board of Library Trustees of the Zion-Benton Public Library District (the Board) wishes to participate in the Illinois Department of Commerce (DCEO) Energy Transition Community Grant (ETCG) program for units of local government; and

WHEREAS, the Board understands that eligibility for such participation requires an abatement of real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, the Board's intent in passing this Ordinance is to enable the Library District to be eligible to participate in the ETCG program; and

WHEREAS, on October 28, 2025, the Board adopted Ordinance 25/26-O-4, said Ordinance levying taxes for Library District purposes for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, said Ordinance was filed with the Lake County Clerk on November 3, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it is appropriate to abate a portion of the taxes levied in said Ordinance 25/26-O-4.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES OF THE ZION-BENTON PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: The amount levied in said Ordinance 25/26-O-4 for the Corporate Fund (Library Fund) is abated by the sum of \$253,087, i.e., the levy for Corporate Fund (Library Fund) is reduced from \$2,754,176 to \$2,501,089.

Section 2. As stated in the above Recitals, the Board's intention is passing this Ordinance is to become eligible for DCEO's ETCG program.

Section 3. Except for the abatement specified in the preceding Section 1, said Ordinance 25/26-O-4 is unchanged and remains in full force and effect.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

Section 5. The Board Secretary is authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this Ordinance with the Lake County Clerk and provide a copy of this Ordinance to DCEO and other officials/entities involved with administering the ETCG program.

PASSED this 27 day of January, 2026 pursuant to roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Adams, Martin, Montgomery, Pictenpaugh, Onan, Singhal,  
Jaworek

Nays: —

Abstain: —

Absent: —

By: Mike Jaworek  
Mike Jaworek, President  
Board of Library Trustees  
Zion-Benton Public Library District  
Zion, Lake County, Illinois

ATTEST:

Sanjay R. Singhal  
Sanjay R. Singhal, Secretary  
Board of Library Trustees  
Zion-Benton Public Library District  
Zion, Lake County, Illinois

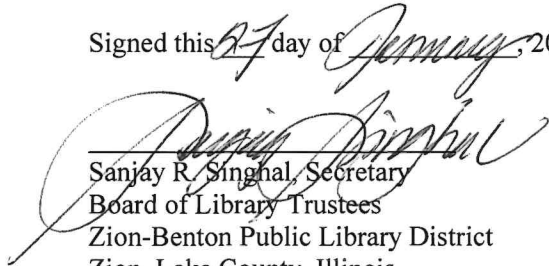
STATE OF ILLINOIS            )  
  ) SS.  
COUNTY OF LAKE            )

SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICITY

I, Sanjay R. Singhal, hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Library Trustees of the Zion-Benton Public Library District, Lake County, Illinois, and as such I am the custodian and keeper of the records and files of said Library District.

I do further certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of Ordinance 25/26-0-5 passed on the 27 day of January, 2026 at a meeting of the Board of Library Trustees of the Zion-Benton Public Library District.

Signed this 27 day of January, 2026.

  
Sanjay R. Singhal, Secretary  
Board of Library Trustees  
Zion-Benton Public Library District  
Zion, Lake County, Illinois